

## STATE of MINNESOTA

## Proclamation

WHEREAS:

Music Therapy is the clinical and evidence based use of music interventions to

accomplish individualized goals within a therapeutic relationship by a credentialed professional who has completed an approved music therapy

program; and

WHEREAS:

Research in music therapy supports its effectiveness in a wide variety of

healthcare and educational settings; and

WHEREAS:

Music therapists work with individuals of all ages who require special services

because of behavior, social, learning, or physical disabilities; and

WHEREAS:

The Joint Commission of the Accreditation of Health Care Organizations

(JCAHO) recognizes musical therapy as one of the creative arts therapies; and

WHEREAS:

The Music Therapy Association of Minnesota (MTAM), a subsidiary of the Great Lakes Region of the American Music Therapy Association, is committed to the advancement of education, professional standards, credentials, and

research in support of the music therapy profession.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of March 12-16' 2012 as:

## MUSIC THERAPY WEEK

in the State of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 5<sup>th</sup> day of March.

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Mark Ritchie

SECRETARY OF STATE